

the PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS
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## **Important Dates & Times**

### Dear Tribal Member,

We are entering our election season for 2019. There will be two (2) positions open on the Tribal Council.

#### Please mark the following dates on your calendar:

Wednesday, February 20th, 2019 Deadline for Notice of Candidacy: must be submitted to

Council Secretary by 12:00 p.m. (noon) by those interested

in running for the open position;

**Wednesday, February 20th, 2019** Deadline for Tribal Newspaper Voter's Pamphlet: submit

Candidacy letter and photo by 5:00 p.m.; location to be

announced in the Tribal Newspaper.

Friday, March 1st, 2019 Deadline for absentee ballot request—must be received

in Election Committee P.O. Box by 9:00 a.m.

Saturday, April 6th, 2019 Absentee ballots must be received in the Election

Committee's P.O. Box by 8:00 a.m.

Saturday, April 6th, 2019 Primary election: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Tribal

Administration Building, 2009 E. Portland Ave.,

Tacoma, WA. 98404.

**Thursday, April 11th, 2019** Courtesy mail-out of election count: deadline for Voter

General Election Pamphlet by 5:00 p.m. to Council Secretary. Absentee ballot requests mailed out for General Election.

Thursday, May 2nd, 2019 Deadline for absentee ballot requests—must be received

in Election Committee P.O, Box by 9:00 a.m.

Saturday, June 1st, 2019 Absentee ballots must be received in Election Committee's

P.O. Box by 8:00 a.m.

**Saturday, June 1st, 2019** General election: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Tribal

Administration Building. 2009 E. Portland Ave.,

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The Constitution and Bylaws of the Puyallup Tribe of the State of Washington

Article IV Election and Nominations for the Tribal Council, Section 1

Any qualified voter who has not been recalled from membership in the Tribal Council within five (5) years from the date of the next election may become a candidate for membership in the Tribal Council. He or she shall file a notice of candidacy with the Secretary of the Tribal Council at least fifteen (15) days before the election.

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### James V. Miles Sr.



### **Dear Puyallup Tribal Members,**

I am seeking your vote in person and or by absentee in this year's election for a position on our Tribal Council on April 6th 2019.

But first, please allow me to introduce myself. My name is James Vernon Miles Sr. I am the middle child of Judith Spottedeagle Miles and William Steve Miles, I am also one of many grandchildren of Mary Miles Frank and I am married to my wonderful wife Katherine with our wonderful children. I am also a former Tribal Council Member form the years 2007 to 2010 and have over 25 years of both education and real-life experience working in various positions throughout our Tribal Government that specifically specialized in creating and developing programs and departments that provide direct benefits to Puyallup Tribal Families in the areas of housing, social services and economic development.

Secondly, I would like to thank the Tribal Council Members that currently hold positions and their families for their service. I would also like to express a deep sense of gratitude to each of our past Tribal Council Members and their families for their sacrifice.

anyone, I am just running for a position on council. I am devoted to the betterment of our Puyallup People and I am committed to being here each day working over the next three years helping and strengthening an agenda that focuses on looking at real issues that Tribal Members and their families face daily.

I believe that in order to properly address the needs of our people, we should first develop an understanding of what we can do and cannot do and what we are obligated to do. Using this knowledge, I have spent over the last three years studying, developing, and revising a plan that I know will work.

There are five areas that I believe we should focus on, the first being addiction and mental health, the second being education, the third children's services, the fourth housing, and the fifth and final one being employment. My commitment is on behalf of all members and their families and I will be sharing these plans over the next couple of months.

A person does not have to suffer from addiction directly to understand the destructive nature of it. Addiction has a farreaching affect, in fact, the indirect effects of addiction fall upon not only our family, our love ones and our community, but the effects of addiction are likely to spread to future generations. I believe and have the utmost faith that as a community we can come together and help address the crisis of addiction and drug abuse on and off our reservation. I also believe that through unity we can help protect our community from those who prey upon and exploit our members. We can do this by empowering our Membership through the five areas I mentioned before and by strengthening the way we support and celebrate sobriety as a Tribal Community.

To all those in recovery, I thank you for your courage and I am thankful because it is my hope that someday, you will spread your wisdom and help someone find their way.

In closing, I would like to thank you on behalf of my family and myself for taking the time to let me share a little bit of who I am and what I plan to do. I have spent most of my adult life I am not running with anyone nor am I against working towards the betterment of our tribe. I have had the blessing being mentored by so many of our elders, past and present, and I hold each one of them dear to my heart and I will always remember the lessons they taught me. One of those teachings is that we have a wealth of inheritance that expresses the rich values of family and community and through our cultural traditions and practices, we can strengthen our values as a tribal community by bringing forward our historical value of social and personal accountability, reliability and dependability.

> A special thank you to my Auntie Lorelei Evans for her faith and encouragement.

Thank you very much.

-James Vernon Miles Sr.

Feel free to contact me at: Jamesvm3168@gmail.com James Miles on Facebook 253-370-0410



### Annette M. Bryan



### ?u si?i?ab d?iišəd, dsyayayə?. Good Day Honorable Friends and Relatives,

I would like to thank you all for giving me the opportunity to work with and serve YOU. It is my honor, and a responsibility I do not take lightly. I know our ancestors are proud of how we're coming together for future generations.

After my first Tribal Council term, I can confidently say that the overall health and welfare of the membership has improved substantially. I fulfilled my commitment to work with tribal members, Council members, and staff to make government more transparent. I promised to work WITH the membership, and listen to YOUR concerns. Here are just a few highlights:

### **Culture and Natural Resources**

- Expanded the Language and Historic Preservation Programs;
- Fought for a SEIS on PSE LNG with the air agency, and City of Tacoma; and
- Successfully hosted the 2018 Power Paddle to Puyallup (prayer staff rotated through departments, cleaned host site).

#### Communication

- Transparency Quarterly Business Owners and Membership Meetings, including three transparent financial updates;
- Drafted Codes going out to the membership for public comment; and
- Prioritized Tribal Member needs and always available in person, over the phone, and on social media.

### **Economics**

- Improved the annual budget process to focus on efficiency and removing wasteful spending, and as a result, the Tribe has set aside \$79 million in debt reserves to fund the hotel. The reserve has generated \$4 million in investment income and will save the Tribe \$18 million in loan interest expenses (this is savings that was not wasted by excess spending);
- Instrumental in getting the casino player tracking system approved and implemented; and
- Switching Minor's Trust from Key Bank to a reputable Firm which will substantially increase the investment gains for all minors; and
- Influential in closing Stogies that was losing \$100,000/month, and opening CBC that generates \$12 million annually with another store opening next month.

### **Social Programs**

- Opened the Flames of Recovery to provide a warm meal, access to services, and recovery meetings to the homeless;
- Created a Wrap-Around program and starting a Law Enforcement Diversion program; and
- Continue to support members struggling with addiction and seeking ways to help those incarcerated.

We have more work to do and I'm constantly striving to learn new ways to be more effective and question the status quo, but we can take pride in the accomplishments WE have made, TOGETHER! I commit to keep bringing YOUR issues forward!

#### About Me

- I descend from the Cross family, and our family still lives on original allotment land on the Reservation.
- My parents are Les and Sharron Nelson, and my grandparents were Ben and Lucille Reed.
- I am a wife of 22 years, I have a daughter, and five grandchildren (three I am raising).
- I have worked for tribal rights and policy most of my career, advocating for tribal sovereignty.
- I hold a Master's Degree in Civil & Environmental Engineering from Tufts University.
- I am a powwow dancer, canoe paddler, basket weaver, survivor, and have been a fisherwoman many moons ago.

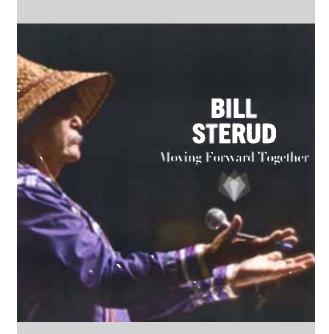
I am passionate about OUR membership, economy, culture, veterans, elders, children, and our natural resources. The time is now for us to continue working TOGETHER for OUR future. I was raised to respect our elders and honor our children. I believe in lifting others up to be the best they can be. I humbly ask for your vote.

For a complete list of accomplishments, or to contact me, please email Annette4Council@ comcast.net, call (253) 878-3463, or contact me on Facebook or Instagram (annette4council). I look forward to hearing what's important to YOU.

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## **Bill Sterud**



For over 35 years I have served on the Puyallup Per Capita-Tribal Council, although at times has been very I am a diehard supporter of our Per Capita challenging and difficult, serving the Tribal Membership has been the most rewarding experience of my life. To the membership, I would like to say thank you for continuing to allow me to serve you. To see the growth of our Tribe, the advancements of our members, makes my heart swell.

### **Elders Assisted Living-**

It has been so gratifying to see the Elders Assisted Living facility come to reality. For so long our Elders, and this Tribe have needed a place of our own to make care for our People. But we are not finished. We need more. We need more of these facilities to take care of our the number 4 employers in Pierce County. We Elders and it is a priority of mine to see a second one, at a minimum, built to serve our members.

#### Health-

It has long been a priority of mine, as a tribal member, and a Tribal Councilmember, to advocate for better health services four our Membership. And I will continue to do so. For instance, establishing a Cancer Clinic to fight cancer, which the Native population suffers from a higher rate than others, is an urgent need that our community deserves. Continuing help with Salmon recovery, to working with to fight for healthcare priorities, to help our People, is a commitment I make to you.

### **Opioid Epidemic-**

The opioid crisis is a scourge that has impacted so many communities, including ours. It is something that will take the full commitment of our entire membership, hand in hand, with Tribal Council, to combat this plague that has afflicted so many of our family members and friends. I pledge my leadership to fight this issue and to fight for solutions with our partners in the community.

### **Emerald Queen Casino-**

I am so excited that our long-held dream of a Gaming Facility, that the membership deserves and has consistently expressed they have wanted to see get done, is right around the corner. Having chaired the casino construction and design team meetings for the last year, we have worked hard to make this a reality. This is our economic engine and when it opens it will be the finest gaming facility in the State of Washington, without a doubt. Our investment in this facility will help carry the economic prosperity of the next generation of Tribal Members into the future.

Program and I will fight to make sure our Per Capita Program continues.

#### **Education-**

It is such an honor to be able to tell people that the Puyallup Tribe covers the total cost of Higher Education to any Puyallup Member who seeks it. I think this benefit is instrumental to future of our younger people, and I continue to advocate for this benefit for our members.

### **Employment-**

I am delighted to say that the Puyallup Tribe is have many tribal members that are working hard every day. However, we also have many Tribal members that are not employed. It is up to the Tribe to provide the necessary training, and make sure that the PUYALLUP PREFERENCE is utilized to the utmost.

#### **Natural Resources-**

Water is life and I will die fighting for our fish and shellfish. From battling with the State to make sure they fund culvert replacements to our local partners to make sure we make advancements on cleaning up the Tideflats, creating new habitat for our juvenile salmon and address various issues to protect our membership shellfish interests. This is and always has been a top priority for me.

### No LNG!!-

I have been fighting the LNG facility. Be it with Port, City, County, State, and Federal officials, I won't stop the fight at any level. We cannot, and must not, have this monstrosity in our Homeland. Period

It has been quite the journey. From my first day on Tribal Council in 1978 to today, the guidance and wisdom of many elders has taught me so many things. I am healthy, I feel stronger than ever, and I am ready to fight for every single member of this Tribe. I am honored by your past support and ask for your support once again. Thank you for allowing me to serve. This had been and continues to be an opportunity of a lifetime.



### Lucia Earl-Mitchell



### Hello Puyallup Tribal Membership,

My name is Lucia Earl-Mitchell and I humbly and respectfully ask for your support and your VOTE in the upcoming 2019 primary election. A vote for Lucia Earl-Mitchell is a vote for empowering the membership.

We all have many questions that we ask ourselves; should I start my own business? Should I get married? What are my talents? Should I run for public office? Where could I be of best service? Could I be doing more to help others? Our trajectories, our journeys, are our destiny and only you can walk your path. We all struggle at some point in our life and sometimes we need a noble man/woman to consult, that's how we transform our lives. We all feel the highs and lows of what life's journey brings, but our ability to challenge ourselves, to thrive and achieve, mentor or coach, that is where we can make our biggest impact. I envision a Tribal Justice system that will allow members to heal and grow, a system that educates us about our rights, a system that enables us to be fierce.

My name is Lucia Earl-Mitchell, I'm a 42-year-old enrolled Puyallup tribal member. I have worked for the tribe for over 20 years. I started fishing when I was young then began geoduck diving and crabbing. I eventually became a boat owner. My family has introduced many members to a life on our waters. I have served on several tribal committees, such as TERO, Youth, Shellfish and Election. I have been married for 19 years and I have been with my husband for 23 years total. His name is Robert Mitchell, 43; he is enrolled Standing Rock tribal member. Rob is employed with Rhine Demolition and we have 6 beautiful children together (3 boys and 3 girls). I have no living grandparents or parents. My mother passed away this year (she was my best friend) Lousia S. Leblanc - Kine, a woman

who raised 5 of her children unselfishly and spent many years fostering youth of the Puyallup Tribe. My father passed in 2012, Frank C. Earl. My father spent most of his life in prison and worked at the Puyallup tribal cemetery and fishermen for many years. My beloved grandparents are Maria (Lucy) Preze-Kine, Lewis Kine and Alma Satiacum-Earl, Joe Earl.

I treasure being Puyallup Tribal member. I am grateful for the gifts that our ancestors protected for us. I feel a sense of responsibility to help preserve what's been left for us to care for, to protect and to nurture. I am passionate about our Tribe and our Tribal rights as well as our rights as Americans. I enjoy lifting others and inspiring our youth. I wish I had more time to sit and talk/visit with our elders, to listen to stories about the old days and the simplicity of life. I feel I can better serve our members and our tribe at a seat at the council table where laws, policies and opportunities for our Tribe and its membership are created.

I thank you for your time.

"We have to work with each other. Our earth is crying, and it's crying for help. In the everyday movement of our country, you can make a difference. You can make a difference." –Billy Frank Jr.

"As we look ahead into the next century, Leaders will be those who empower others" – Bill Gates

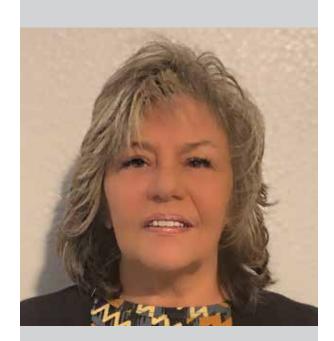
Again, my name is Lucia Earl-Mitchell and I humbly and honorably ask for your support and your vote in the upcoming 2019 primary election. Please feel free to call or text me 253-312-5581 or Facebook me.

### Let's take this road together!

Lucia Earl-Mitchell Puyallup Tribal Council



## Monica Miller



#### **HELLO PUYALLUP TRIBAL MEMBERS:**

My name is MONICA MILLER, a Puyallup Tribal Member #87 who is a candidate for the open Tribal Council position for 2019.

I am the youngest daughter to the late Ramona Ferro-Miller and late William B. Miller. I have Four older sister's starting with the Oldest sister the late Billie Rene'e Miller-Gates, Joylene Miller-Wagner, Vernetta Miller, and Sylvia Miller. I have Three wonderful Children Nicholas Miller, Raquel Miller and Maria Miller, I have 5 Grandchildren Nicholas Jr., Miyah, Peyton, Amilia, and Adrianna.

#### **WORK HISTORY:**

I have WORKED here at our Tribe and Reservation for over 40 years, I have also LIVED on the Reservation my entire life. I currently am the Director of the Per Capita Department and the Representative Payee Department, my Department consist of 1-Assistant Director, 1-PC/ RPP Attorney, 1-Senior Accountant, 1-Per Capita Program Specialist, 1- Secretary, 7-Payees for the RPP Department. Per Capita Payroll consist of 5435 Tribal Members. The Representative Payee consist of 152 Tribal member clients, in order to be on Payee Program you are either VOLUNTEERED/COURT ORDERED volunteer clients give us their per capita to pay their Monthly bills we pay their Bill's and then the tribal member client receives all their remaining funds. NO RECEIPTS are required from tribal client. RPP Court Order Tribal MEMBER Clients, Receipts are required. Both Volunteer/Court Order tribal member clients are required a 6 Month Minimum, reason being is Court processing time and the Opening and Closing of the Secured Curator Bank account. Both Departments are dealing highly with Daily needs and issues for our members.

My work History has always been working for Our Tribe, I started as a young 14 yr old Girl, in 1974 my first job as a summer youth worker at the Old Tribal Hawthorne School. I continued working ever summer for Tribe as a youth worker for the same Bosses.

In 1977, I had a job working at our Old Tribal Admin Building which was located next to our Cemetery,I had a Receptionist Job working for the Great Puyallup Tribal Chairwoman Ramona Bennett, I was a Senior in High School at Stadium High School, I would go to School 4 hours in the Morning and then go to work at the Tribe for 4 hrs from 1pm to 5pm, I was so grateful that Ramona Bennett Paid me for a half day pay and that Stadium High School gave me (2) Education History credits per that semester, how great was that. I do not know how Ramona Bennett made that happen back in 1977, but we really need to bring this back to the Tribe for our young High School Tribal Seniors, Education/Job Training/School Credits and Pay (YES)!!!

1978, I Started working in the Tribe's Enrollment office with Barbara Richards in the Enrollment Department, Barbara was a Great Boss, a Best Friend, a Sister, a great mentor. Barbara Richards taught me alot about the Tribe, and she explained a lot of our Tribes history that I didn't know as a young girl. Barb also took me to my first Fish Ceremony, my First Canoe Journey in Tahola, WA., my first Pow Wow in Muckleshoot. 1978 while i was working for Barb in the Enrollment Department I also worked at the Tribal Smoke Shop on Weekends. Located on Pioneer Way, I also use to sell fireworks, i worked at BJ's Bingo Hall as a bingo caller, Micro Dome Bingo Bingo Caller and Bartender.

I worked in our Tribal Law office as Georgia Parizo assistant, Georgia was another great teacher and Boss,

I was Director of LIHEAP which now is called the (CAP) crisis assistant program.

I also participated and circulated and gathering Signatures from Tribal members for our petition on our Land Settlement. Therefore, my work History has always been here at our Tribe. I also work close with our Tribal departments ICW/CS departments, Our Tribal Wrap around department, Tribal members with personal and tribal issues, Tribal Court and Prosecutors, Tribal Council, Law Offices, Enrollment Office, Tribal Jail, Flames of Recovery, Jody Brooks Family Crisis Program. CAP program, I have done FUNDRAISERS for our TRIBAL CANCER CHAMPIONS.

### NOW WHY DO I WANT TO RUN FOR TRIBAL COUNCIL;

Because we the Tribal members need a change for the betterment of the Tribe, and I believe i am the right person for the Tribal Council Job i was born and raised here on our Reservation and i have Worked over 40 years here at our Tribe, i will promise to protect our Sovereignty Rights /Land/Water/Fish and our Elders and Children. I have watched and been a part of the growth of our Tribe back in 1979 we had 749 members and we have increased to 5435 Tribal members. Not only has the Membership grown but our Economic Development has also Grown, and it will continue to grow as well as our membership. Listed below are a few projects that i believe we need.

- MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE BOARD: They will schedule our membership meetings, schedule the topics of the membership meetings.
- Tribal Council Should not be making the decision on the Topics of the Membership Meetings, the Topics need to come from the Members. Also the members make It Mandatory for Tribal Council /Membership Committee Board to Attend these meetings. Although Tribal Council are Tribal Members they can voice their opinion on a topic as a Member and ask the Membership to add Topic to a Meeting just as any Tribal Member can.
- GENERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE; This Board will be over Tribal Council as an Advisory on our Economic Development and our Financial Overlook of our Tribe, this will also include our MVV and our Canibus.
   THEY WILL ALSO BE RESPONSIBLE TO GIVE A REPORT TO TRIBAL COUNCIL AND TO MAIL THE SAME REPORT TO THE TRIBAL MEMBERS SO WE

- CAN ALL KNOW OUR FINANCIAL STATUS, This will benefit the members on Transparency
- PER CAPITA INCREASE------Trump tax law is (37) percent the last increase was in 2003, This is a must due to the TRUMP TAX Law! Why didn't we get notified ahead of time by Tribal Council/Finance team.
- Housing for Tribal Members--lets start building homes for its members.
- Treatment Center----All the NW tribes come together to PAY/Build one Big Native Treatment Center for all NW Natives, and hire the best Doctors/ Councilors
- Housing and jobs for our members that are being released from Incarceration or treatment they need a plan so that they don't relapse. (Not just a job working at Cemetery).
- Casino Player TRACKING CARD: WIN/LOSS PLAYER CARDS are the best the Tribe will know its Win/ Loss and so will the player know its win/loss. THESE PLAYER CARDS ARE A MUST HAVE for the tribe THEY WILL TRACK HOW MUCH REVENUE IS COMING IN. If we just put tracking cards for the players it will not let us know what the casino is win /loss.
- Large Tribal Church-----We need this for our members and our Community, it should be located near our Elders Assisted living and our Cemetery, Our Beloved Loved ones should not be having their FUNERAL at our Tribal School/Youth Center.
- Tribal Jobs --for Tribal members -----remove the Driver's License qualifications off the Application unless it is a position that requires a Driver's License, send our members to training to get them qualified hire them.
- Elementary School: (Build a Separate Chief Leschi Elementary School) that is separate from our Junior/ High School. Our Elementary kids should not be in the same school as the Our Junior High and the High School Students.
- Casino Kids Entertainment Attraction: People vacationing need something for their children to do while they are on Vacation rather we build a Water park or Boom Shaka Trampoline or a Skating/Bowling arcade we need some kind of entertainment.

I Stand high on our Education and Culture, it is Very important for our children, and as we all are Parents, Grandparents It is our job to Educate our children to make sure that they get the best Education and Culture, therefore We all need to get involved in our Kids education and push how and why the importance of a good Education is. Their future is going to rely on a good education. The Tribe has educational funding dollars for our Tribal Members, and special Tutors are available. Culture Drum and Dance classes for any age.

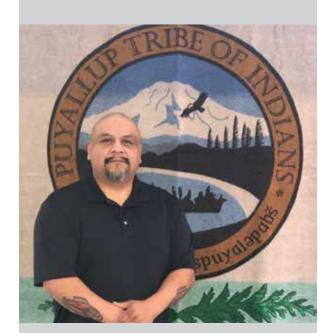
Elders we all need to take care of our Elders, Do not wait for someone else to step up and take care of your Elder, If it comes to a point that you can not take care of your Elder reach out to the Tribe for Assistance, The Tribe know has Assisted Living Housing for our Elders which is Beautiful Facility. Please remember to always have Respect and Love for your Elders.

Puyallup Tribal members i am asking you to VOTE FOR MONICA MILLER THIS PRIMARY ELECTION.

I also encourage all members to please Vote, your Vote does matter. If you have any questions that you would like to ask me please feel free to visit me or call me (253)948-7065.



## Fred Dillon



Good day my fellow Puyallup Tribal membership. gives me the opportunity to mentor our youth My name is Fred Dillon, and I would like to announce that I submitted my name for the 2019 Puyallup Tribal Council Elections.

For those that may not know me, I am the grandson of the late Alvina and Frederick "Dutch Man" Dillon, and the son of Susan E. Dillon. I am the oldest of two sisters and three brothers. I am the father of eight kids; 4 girls and 4 boys, and the grandfather of 11 grandchildren, with another one on the way. I am happily married to my wife, Jessica J. Dillon. I have many aunts, uncles and cousins that I have a lot of love and respect for, for helping me become the man I am today. One of my aunties; Sylvia Miller, is a great mentor and is currently serving on Tribal Council. Also, one of my uncles, is the late Herman Dillon Sr., he served 30 years on Tribal Council; where most of those years was as chairman. I am so proud of him; he was one of my biggest mentors and is greatly missed.

I was born and raised my whole life here on the Puyallup reservation. I went to Chief Leschi to work on; Honesty, Leadership, Integrity, School and was fortunate enough to be a part of the amazing things in our community from selling fireworks with family and friends, to hunting and fishing with my grandpa, aunties, uncles and cousins. I started working for our tribe at the age of 14 through JTPA. From then, I've worked several jobs throughout our tribal entities, such as; Chief Leschi School, Chinook Landing Marina, Puyallup Tribal Bingo Palace, and Puyallup Tribal Fisheries. I am currently the Policy Representative for Natural Resources, where I fight strongly to protect and preserve our treaty rights. I am a proud member of Chief Leschi's Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads Of Great Students) program, which

in school in a positive leadership role. I have also helped out with the youth committee events for the past several years and enjoy helping anytime I can. My family and I have also enjoyed participating along with my late brother Richard Gutierrez who I shared a lot of great memories with on the canoe journeys. I have sat proudly on the Fish Commission and I am currently on the Shellfish Commission as the Vice-Chair. I am also currently on the N.W.I.F.C. (North West Indian Fish Commission) as an alternate for our tribe. Sitting at the tables I have got mentored by many great leaders in Indian County, such as; Georgianna (Auntie Porgie) Kautz, and the late Billy Frank Jr.

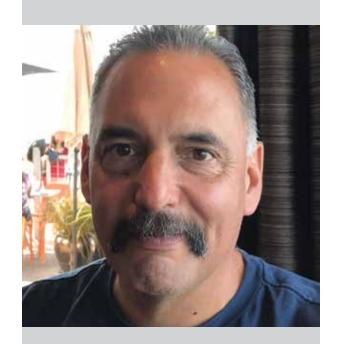
As you can see, my heart is within preserving and protecting our sovereignty and treaty rights such as hunting, fishing, and gathering. I want to keep our cultural and traditional ways alive. If given the opportunity to serve our membership; as a leader on Tribal Council, these are some of the things I would like Fairness, Loyalty, Unity and Realness. I would like to also continue on improving our Elder care, Child care, Education, Health care, Housing, Gaming, Future Economic Developments, and improve our tribe and membership to be the best they can be.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter. I hope to have your support in this upcoming election. If you have any questions, or would like to talk, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Fred Dillon (253) 370-6427 FredTDillon72@hotmail.com



### Joe Duenas, Sr.



I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to all of you. My name is Joe Duenas, Sr. I have been married to my loving wife Lynnette for 38 years. We are both Tribal members who were raised here on our Reservation. My mother was Judy C Wright, and my grandmothers were Alice Buber and Hattie Cross. I have three sons and several grandchildren that we love to spend time with.

I have had the opportunity to serve as your police chief for the last 16 years, and have been a police officer for over 33 years. I started my police career with our Tribe in 1985, and in 1987 I went off to work for the City of Seattle. I returned in 2002 and have enjoyed serving our Community as your police chief.

offender registration) and ICWA (Indian Child Welfare) committees and learned from working on these important committees.

I worked with a team of dedicated Council and staff members to finally get funding and build the Tribes new Restorative Correctional Facility. We all spent many hours lobbying both the BIA and Congress for funds to provide for the daily operation of our facility. Although I believe we still need to fight for additional funding, we succeeded, and today the Jail operates without using any Tribal funding.

I continue to work aggressively to bring federal grant dollars to our Tribe, and I will continue to do so to alleviate the cost to fund Tribal programs.

It is the Trust Responsibility of the United States to provide services to our Tribe. If elected, I would work diligently for all members in a fair and impartial manner. I I have worked on both SORNA (sex would encourage voters to get out and vote for the candidates that you believe would serve our membership best.

Sincerely,

Joe Duenas, Sr.



### **Chester Earl**



### **Native Power, Native Pride**

My name is Chester Earl. My mother is Linda Earl (single mother of 4) my grandfather is Joseph Earl, Grandmother Alma Satiacum Earl, Great- Grandparents Chester Satiacum Sr. & Ara Reed Satiacum Frank & Eva Earl.

I am married to my wonderful wife Delphine (13 years) we have 4 children Elise, LaVina, Joseph & Linda. We are also Blessed with 1 granddaughter Erina.

I was born on the Puyallup Indian Reservation October 1973. Attended Chief Leschi Graduating 1992. I have worked for the Tribe in many Capacities. Summer Youth, Maintenance, Security, public defender, Senior land specialist & Community Events Coordinator.

The Puyallup story with the wins and the losses, is my story.

I think that's why I have such a heart for service and for our community, especially our young people. I see them struggling because I've been there, I know there's a way up and out of the struggle... it's because of the love of my family and the support of my tribe, I know you can make something for yourself and your family no matter where you've been Vice-Chair: because I did that.

I've lived what's possible because of the Puyallup Tribe. I'm grateful to my tribe and my community. My experiences, the good and not so good, are why I'm committed to representing everyone equally and ensuring that all of us have a solid foundation for our futures and our families.

Starting a campaign is an introspective experience. One of the first things you have to do is think about all the dirt on your opponents might come up with to use against Started fishing on the Puyallup when I was 6 you. In my youth, there wasn't much trouble I missed. So, I'll admit it. No one has to do it for me. We all know I've made mistakes.

When I talk to one of our kids who's been in trouble, just hoping to graduate from high school wondering if there will be any opportunities in their future, I get it. I've been there.

When I talk to a young couple just starting a family, trying to make ends meet, working one, two, or maybe three jobs between them, just trying to get ahead, when it seems like the ends don't meet, I get it. I've been there.

When I talk to a fellow tribal member who just lost another family member to drugs and addiction, I know that pain because I've been there.

No matter who you are or where you're at, if you're Puyallup, you matter, and I care.

WE CAN DO IT TOGETHER

My experience

Chaired:

Fireworks Committee

Planning Committee

**Ethics Committee** 

Officer:

Shellfish

**Hunting Committee** 

10 years with the EQC also as a Dealer Trainer, Dealer, Security, Food & Beverage, Poker & Warehouse Manager

years old and a geoduck diver for 16 years

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We Can Do It Together



### Dakota W. Case



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To all my honorable relatives, my name is Dakota W. Case. I am the first great-grandson of Janet yet-si-blu McCloud and Don McCloud. I am the first grandson of Laura McCloud-Sterud, Michael Sterud, and Wayne Firethunder. I am the first son of Teshay Firethunder and Kevin Case. I am Puyallup, Nisqually, Squaxin, Tulalip, and Lakota. I am finished.

Growing up under my grandma Janet, we learned how to live off the land and how to be indigenous at an early age. She showed us how to gather berries and medicine; how to hunt, fish, smoke salmon, and grow food - as our ancestors did. She bridged the gap from the past to the present. As I got older, I learned to fish on the Puyallup River, hung nets, and packed fish for elders. I also spent many years selling fireworks in Firecracker Alley behind Cascadia. These opportunities were provided to me growing up on our reservation, where I continue to practice these ways of life.

Although these traditional teachings have been my foundation, I had a very troubled upbringing as a youth in the middle of the Puyallup Reservation. I lost my path for a season, and came back to the traditional teachings of our people. It's taken over seven years of working on myself to get back to the road laid before me by the ancestors. Wanting a better future for my children and for our people has motivated me to change my life, heal myself, and work with others to heal Mother Earth.

I feel like I've come to a place in my life where I would be able to serve and protect the best interests of the Puyallup people. I stand against corruption on many different front lines on behalf of the Puyallup Tribe. Over the past several years, this has included calling out government officials and corporations for the betterment of the community and the Puyallup people. I have spent thousands of hours working with Puyallup Tribal members as well as surrounding community members on environmental injustices in the following areas:

- Petition Against LNG: Worked with community to get 66,000 signatures in Washington State to stand with the Puyallup Tribe for a petition against the LNG facility.
- Puyallup Flag in City of Tacoma Chambers: Working with members of the community and Tribal Council to get our flag into City Chambers.
- Indigenous Peoples' Day 2018: Working with members of the community in changing 'Columbus Day' to 'Indigenous Peoples' Day' in the City of Tacoma.
- Sub Area Planning: Working with members of the community on limited growth on Fossil Fuels in the Port of Tacoma.
   Demanding that the Puyallup Tribe has a

- seat at the table along with City of Tacoma, Fife, Pierce County, and Port of Tacoma.
- Puyallup Governing Body: Demanding that the City of Tacoma, Fife, Port of Tacoma, and Pierce County recognize the Puyallup Tribe of Indians as a Governing body of people instead of just a name. Helping establish connections between our Tribal Council and City of Tacoma, Fife and Port of Tacoma.
- City of Seattle: Working with members of the community in opposition of LNG, resulting in the City of Seattle passing a resolution against the LNG facility in Tacoma and urging the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency to deny the permit.
- Water Warrior Movement: A body of Tribal members committed to making the world a better place. It started as a movement to fight environmental injustice and has grown to encompass other causes.

With your support, these are some of the areas that I'd like to continue to address for our people:

- Clean up Puget Sound: Working with an activist group and a local University to clean up Puget Sound using oysters and kelp farms (fun fact: an adult oyster can filter up to 50 gallons of water a day). This will create a thriving ecosystem by cleaning our local waters and ensuring future gathering sites for our people.
- Culture Center: Creating a longhouse where culture and language can be accessible to our youth on an everyday basis. We can keep the momentum of Canoe Journey 2018 going to keep our youth involved with our culture and language by supporting our departments and staffing needs. Our members have been asking for a tribal museum for years, and it's time to provide our membership with a beautiful facility where they can showcase their culture, history, and language.
- Find Your Voice: We need the membership to have more voice in our tribal government by constitution reform. Presently, we need 1/3 of 2,500 members (eligible voting membership) to overturn a Tribal Council decision. If this were changed to a lower number it would be easier for the membership to participate in government decisions, such as:
  - Tribal Council salary
  - Severance packages for voted off Tribal Council members
  - Children's Trust Funds disbursement

I would like to thank our elders and our ancestors who carried our traditions and culture through years of oppression, and honor them by getting back to our traditional ways of life.

Sincerely,

Dakota W. Case

Please feel free to contact me for any questions at 253-442-4100, or by email at dakota.w.case@gmail.com. I can also be reached on Facebook at 'Dakota W. Case' or 'Dakota W. Case for Puyallup Tribal Council 2019.'



# Manuel Madrigal-McCloud



### To my Elders and fellow **Puyallup Tribal members,**

My name is Manuel Madrigal-McCloud. I am announcing my candidacy for Puyallup Tribal Council 2019. Many of you may know my grandmother Connie McCloud, my mother Lena McCloud (Pawsoo/Ya-Ya) or my uncle Farron McCloud. I am also a graduate of Chief Leschi schools. I have for many years traveled with our Puyallup Canoe Our fight against LNG/PSE is a Family and have gotten to live with our membership and visited many reservations across WA. Currently I work for your Tribal Court which has been a great learning experience.

Education! I believe Chief Leschi needs new oversight by our parents, students and community members. Politics should NOT come before the integrity of Chief Leschi Schools, which has been dangerously undermined. New school leadership that is ELECTED by parents and students at Chief Leschi Schools is completely necessary! Parental involvement, college readiness and CULTURE is a top concern for me. Our elders are sacred and must be taken care of. PTHA has made great strides over the years but there is always work to do in maintaining good quality health care and rehabilitation. I believe a lot is only possible when our businesses are doing good, making sure the needs of

our bottom line are a top priority (profit). I am committed to see our new Emerald Queen Casino #1! Our small business owners will always be in mind. Ensuring we have opportunities available for our membership is important. I support a Per-Capita increase when it's absolutely possible. Severance Pay for Puyallup Tribal Council is NOT acceptable.

great example of the challenges we face as a tribe, so is De-Escalate WA. There are many more challenges ahead of us. Our environment, our mother earth who cares for us is under attack. Threats to our environment threatens both our economics and health. We must do all we can to SAVE OUR SALMON.

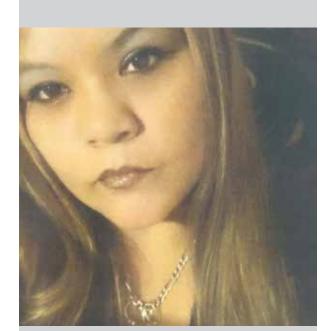
Today's reality and politics is a call for new / younger leadership. Together I absolutely believe we can make positive changes for OUR tribe because we are family no matter what differences we have. We need real reform. I encourage all who believe they can make a positive change to run for council, no matter who you are in our tribe.

ALL my relations! I hope to see you at the polls Saturday, April 6th, 2019. Don't forget to send in your absentee ballot!

Manuel Madrigal-McCloud for Puyallup Tribal Council



### Benita M. Ochoa



### Good Day Puyallup Tribal Members,

I am Benita Ochoa Puyallup Tribal Member, Mom, Grandma, Auntie, Sister, Friend, and Mentor. I'm the daughter of Roberta Myla Capoeman-Ochoa, and Granddaughter of Elsie McCloud. I'm submitting my name for candidacy, so I can help break down barriers created by our fast pace growth and being in the middle of a city. Using modern business practices for economic growth, and traditional values to bring our community together. I would like the opportunity to help address our members concerns by listening, understanding, and following through till we get it right. I would like to impact our community by youth advocacy, housing, elders support, and helping to employ and retain employment for this and future generations. So, Our People can be not only independent but the best at getting jobs. Helping our people to learn how to be marketable, and by giving them freedom to learn the basics to survive in the ever-changing world. By revamping existing resources to coincide with today's workforce needs we will teach our people how to be leaders within not only our tribe, but the outside world. I know I can make a difference by utilizing all resources to help our members become independent and leaders of the future. I'm a leader I have known second chances, I do know the power of knowledge. I can and will dedicate my life to making our tribe better for our youth and future generations. Reaching youth is a goal of mine and is a top priority. Our youth and community sometimes need someone who relates and understand what they are going through. I know everyone has potential, and I will make sure every member is given equal opportunities. My goal has always been how to foster and bring out the best in people. I would like to focus on the youth, and elders. Bringing the two together to create

an advocacy program, to fulfill the need for traditional elder, and youth roles within the native community. I've always been taught it takes a village to raise a child if elected I will dedicate myself to help us find our way back to that tribal value, that important part of our culture, that some have lost over the years. I believe the line is invisible and we can make a difference in drawing up the specifics, and programs to align resources to develop, teach, and most importantly guide our youth. Using the wisdom of our elders for mentorship, and development. I urge everyone of you to look within this statement "give a fish for today, you feed them for just today, teach them to fish and they are fed for life". I will impact our tribe by focusing on elder outreach, youth outreach, and youth advocacy. Through Housing, Partnerships, and employment by job training, jobs skills, and mentorship programs. I'm Benita Ochoa I want a brighter future for the youth, elders, adults, and future generations. I want to change our community by combining elder, and role model involvement, to give something to our future generations. Please let me be the conduit for advocacy for our people. Most important let me be of my words, let me be of my actions, it's our responsibility to teach our youth how to adapt to the problems we face due to life today. It's our responsibility to uplift our people and give them the tools they need for success in a world that is way different than ours. For too long we have resisted adapting to the world and how it has changed, I know it's possible to embrace both worlds. Our elders have always held on to our culture, with our communities help I know can make a difference, by Empowering Our People for Future Generations. Please Vote for Empowering Our People Vote For Benita Ochoa let me be your voice, your change, your path to empowerment...



## **Justin Turnipseed**

#### Hello Tribal Members,

I am a member of the Cross Clan, great grandson to Silas and Hattie Cross, grandson of Bertha Jane Turnipseed and the son of David Turnipseed and Toni Manzaneres. My native name is Tulakus, my given name is Justin Turnipseed. This is my announcement for the intent to run for Tribal Council. I am a married father of 5 incredible kids, the CEO of BJ'S II INC and President of the Medicine Creek Riders. I love our tribe and want to be a part of the bright future of our people. To incorporate new revenue ventures, to secure a stronger future for all our children and continue the good work that has been done but also add new fresh ideas on the direction of the Puyallup Nation. I want to see our tribe push forward with renewable energy because we need to protect and preserve this beautiful land we have been blessed to call home. I have many qualities and skills that I think will be beneficial to all. I am a continual student of life and take everything I learn daily and keep moving forward with it. There is no standing still in life and I want to make sure for the future for us all is moving forward.

As CEO of BJ's II INC. I oversee the day to day operations and delegate duties to all employees. I believe a good leader listens to everyone. I have an open door to listen to all our employees. I believe that I am approachable and friendly. A quality a leader needs to have to be successful. In any aspect of life, I approach a situation with a level head and do my absolute best to see all sides before I react. That is something else I also believe is a good quality of a leader. Over the years, I have taken on more responsibility in my business. I started out as a cashier when I was a teenager to earn money as all kids feel they need. I then took a few years to venture of and run my own shop and learned the right and wrong way on how a business can be successful. Now I handle the daily operations with the help of a strong support system. We have implemented

more recycling and taking further steps to be a greener business. I take the skills I have learned over the years and use them in my personal and social life. I see strong leadership within the tribe and I can be an asset to build it even stronger.

As the President of Medicine Creek Riders, I look for opportunities to get our group involved in the community. Recently, we had the privilege to join the community cleanup of our tribal lands. This experience was a very comforting ones as I felt I had the power to give back to those who give so much to me. We are supportive in any way possible and in the time I've been with the club we have ventured out on charity rides to raise funds for the sick and to celebrate life of fallen members. I also have been a part of volunteer work such as raising donations for the California Wildfire Relieve and running supplies to Standing Rock. I also donate regularly to local food banks and we have a monthly donation at BJ's to food shelters. I have learned more about our tribal history and had the honor to share it with my brothers and my family as well. The club has taught me that not everyone will see eye to eye but communication and understanding can get a lot done.

Being a father of 5 uniquely different children has taught me that I need to handle every situation differently. There is no one way to accomplish everything. All of our kids have different schedules which includes sports, tutoring, after school clubs and as parents we try to maintain that schedule with flexibility and an easy going perspective. I am capable to handle any task at hand and welcome new challenges. One thing my kids have taught me is to expect the unexpected. With your support I plan on bringing all that I have experienced and learned to elevate our tribe to a brighter tomorrow.



### Felisha McCall



### **Council Newspaper letter**

Hello my fellow members, my name is Felisha McCall I am 25 years old. I am a single mother to a beautiful 5-year-old daughter, I care about others and how they feel. As a single mother I take of a child while also juggling work, taking care of family members, and having a social life.

I believe I would be a good council member because I am a good person and I care about others, I also believe we need to change our housing. I think our housing should be for families too. I also think we need more activities for families to teach them our dances, our writing, more about our culture.



### Justin Satiacum



### **Greetings fellow** Tribal Members,

My name is Just Satiacum, and I will be one of your candidates for Tribal Council elections. I currently am a Compliance Officer for the Tribal Employment is many others. We must find a Rights Office (TERO), assisting our people with employment and career opportunities while enforcing our Ordinance and protecting our sovereign rights.

I am dedicated to seeing the betterment of our tribe as a whole. As we all know, there are many areas that we need to continue to build on such as our School, our Elder care, our Minors Trust Funds etc. Many have worked hard to see that the necessary changes are made, we must continue these efforts. If the process hasn't yet been started to make these necessary changes, they need to be.

I believe we need to make an impact in regards to our continuously growing homeless and drug issue. With the upcoming opening of our new casino, we have to be ahead of

the problem and work together to find ways to resolve this. As I said last year, Substance Abuse treatment is a priority of mine as way to help our families who are hurting, our current system is not sufficient enough.

I will not come out and make false or unrealistic promises, but I will promise to work my hardest for you the membership and our tribal entities and departments. In the end we are all family and we need to look out for ALL of our futures.

I wish good luck to all of the other candidates, I commend everyone's courage and the shared vision of the forward progress of our tribe.

I look forward to this upcoming election, I will participate as often as possible and will always make myself available for a phone call or a visit. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Justin Satiacum



### **Benedict Williams**



My name is Benedict
Williams Sr., and was born on
Thanksgiving Day in 1946. My
Indian name given to me by my
grandmother, Lucy Homolgood
Williams, is Putti-Wow, which
has to do with thunder and
lightning. I am asking for your
vote in the coming election.

I graduated from Auburn High School in 1964 and attended WSU for one year. I went on to serve with the 82nd Airborne Division in 1966 and 1967. I spent 20 years as a logger in Enumclaw and North Bend areas.

My work for the Puyallup Tribe includes TGA, Security, and Gas Station Management. My job as gas station management was fulfilling for the simple reason that I was serving my people of this Puyallup Tribe. I passed

a Shell Station Management
Course in 1999 with a 93
percentile on all my test scores.
I was honored to help open
the Pioneer Gas Station in 1999
which was revamped from our
old Community Hall, and is still
operating today. I spent nine
years in the management of that
station, with monthly reports of
profit and loss, gas inventory, and
primarily grocery inventory. The
job was bout accountability, and
I believe that our Tribal Council
should have the same priorities.

I firmly believe in our Sovereign Rights granted by our Treaty, and think that these rights should be incorporated into our Tribal Government policies, where possible, to ensure that our rights as Tribal Members are being met to the fullest.

Benedict Williams Sr.



### Ramona Bennett



Ramona Bennett Chairwoman in Doctorate of Public Affairs the late 60s and 70s recalled 40 years ago in Feb of 79. Replaced by a council mostly indicted and charged with arson, embezzling, and attempted murder. During our terms our tribe did rise up, establishing our first office and recognition. Working for land, rights, and services. Our armed fishing camp in 1970 resulted in the Boldt decision, securing our fishing and shellfish rights and the right to protect the salmon. Our armed eviction of the state from our hospital and land resulted in our FIRST clear title to property. The title to our cemetery was returned at my request. A hydrologists report I requested resulted in the Old River Bed case which resulted in the eventual settlement. I wrote the initial grants for all health, education, and governmental services. My first 6 years of service I volunteered. There were no funds to pay myself, Sila Cross, Alice Cross Conway Buber, Maiselle Bridges, Suzette Mills, Bertha Turnispeed, or Herman Dillon.

I opened many Puyallup members adoptions and brought be informed about our land and them into the tribe. I worked on Indian Children's rights and established the Local Indian Child Welfare Committee along with the regional administrator. This led to the Federal Law. I established both tribal and urban child placing agencies.

Since the recall I earned a Masters Ed and Honorary

from U.P.S.. My main work has been 32 years of direct services for children and families and owning and managing child placing agencies. My work was very successful same race placements and adoptions for minority children. I worked as principal at Wa-he-lute.

I didn't like the first Settlement. There was nothing in it for individual Puyallups. I prepared a letter to the members urging them to hold out for \$20,000 for each of us. Evelyn Basket and Jackie Stiltner helped me with the mail out. WE ALL GOT OUR MONEY. I also said we were entitled to 1,700 each month forever.

You probably wonder why an over 80 year old woman who had 4 attempts on her life wants your vote. Well I'm a ninja. I'm not like council people who disappear if they get voted out. I love our tribe all the way and there are a lot of issues I'm active in. I'm a water warrior, with amazing Puyallups and others protecting our land and the Salish Sea. I want us to all businesses. I want ombudsmen and accountability for our services. I've had kids at Chief Leschi from the first day. We have a lot to do. Housing, businesses, drug prevention and treatment. I want to be part of the solution. Don't forget to vote. I'm on messenger and facebook. AMR



## **Quiasee Mills**



Hello, my name is Quiasee Mills and I have submitted my name for the 2019 Tribal Council election.

First, I would like to thank everyone for all their support. I'm a very proud mother of three children and proud grandma of my grandson. My parents are Cathy Tougaw and James V. Mills. My Puyallup comes from my mother whose parents are Mary Miles Frank and Clarence Dempsey Tougaw, both enrolled in Puyallup. I was born and raised here in Tacoma on the Puyallup Reservation. I have been on Committees and Boards such as Puyallup Trust Board, Fish Wars Committee, Fisheries Committee, Fireworks, Shellfish, and Repatriation Committee. I'm currently on the Fish Wars which has been one of the very honorable and proud moments of my Committee career.

It's such an honor and learning experience to be on tribal Committees and Boards. I encourage all tribal members to find one that interests them. I graduated from Chief Leschi in '92 with a scholarship to Northwest Indian College, taking Indian Law. I attended for a year and decided to take time off and when I returned I changed to Environmental Science. I was then diagnosed with cancer

about 15 years ago and at that time I decided to just be with my children and family as much as possible while still staying on committees only resigned from Fireworks Committee. I have worked for the tribe in many fields from Tribal cop to file clerk and I enjoyed every moment I had. Over all these years I knew I would someday start running for Council and start speaking up more than I have over the years.

I grew up being raised by very powerful women in my family all who were leaders of our tribe or held very important positions within the tribe. I grew up hearing the stories of our struggle from the fish wars to the Cushman take over. So proud of the people who came together to give us a future that we may not have had otherwise. These ancestors paved the road for us and now we must journey down it to keep up the fight for our people now. I have always been proud and honored to be Puyallup and ask you now humbly for your vote this year. Together, we can protect what we have and build for our future generations.

Honor, pride, love, and respect for my people.

Thank you,

Quiasee Mills



## **Debra Sharp**



### Walking Our Journey Together.....

My name is Debra Sharp, oldest granddaughter of Clara Squally-John and Joseph John and oldest daughter of Karen John Sharp. I have one daughter, Danielle Sharp, and three sons, Shane Sharp, Derek Harbin, & Cameron Harbin and blessed with three beautiful grandchildren Dylan and Selene Sharp and Skyla Harbin.

It is an honor and privilege to put my name in for the upcoming election for Tribal Council to potentially have an opportunity to work with our membership and current council. Our past and current council members have done an excellent job. They all have made some difficult choices and decisions for the best interest of our tribe. My hands goes up to each and everyone one of them.

I have worked for the Tribes since I was sixteen with my first job working in the Old Cushman building as a secretary for the Personnel Office and assisting Purdy Matheson in the LIHEAP Office. In my later years I worked at the Puyallup Tribal Treatment Center and medical clinic as an assistant to Ellie Roush in pediatrics. After leaving PTHA, I went back to school with the encouragement of my colleagues and received my Associates Degree at the Pierce College. During this time, I spent my time working full time for our family electrical business. I returned to the Puyallup Tribe in 2004 and currently working for the Design and Construction Management department as a Project Manager.

While working in the D&CM department, my primary responsibility is to assist with the delivery of projects form the permits to close out including managing scoop of work,

My name is Debra Sharp, oldest granddaughter of Clara Squally-John and Joseph John and oldest daughter of Karen John Sharp. I have been fortunate to of been involved in the following projects throughout the tribe.

- Cemetery Columbarium
- Elders Center
- Correctional Facility
- Veterans Memorial Wall
- Assisted Living Center
- Demo and Relocation of Law Enforcement, Courts, & Probation
- And many other projects within the tribe

It has been a true pleasure to be part of the development of our tribe. I have worked with many talented people and it really has been a collaborative team effort. The most enjoyable moments have been seeing our tribal members receive valuable employment and being part of history.

I dedicate my compassion and heart to help our community continue to grow and support our current programs and services with the following:

- Addiction
- Families Affected by Addiction
- Mental health
- Elders and Vulnerable Adults
- Reuniting our families
- Homelessness
- Natural Resources

I believe my skill set and qualification will provide a balance to our current council. I ask respectfully for your vote for this year's 2019 election.

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